

## *The Lord's Service*

January 19<sup>th</sup> 2014

Second Sunday after Epiphany

### *God is Renewing Covenant With His People*

#### *God Calls Us and Cleanses Us*

Prelude Shelia Parry  
Exhortation: Offering Ourselves in Worship

#### *Interlude*

Call to Worship (*Please Stand*)

Pastor: Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 18:20; 28:19*

**People: Amen.**

Salutation: **The Lord be with you! Ruth 2:4**

And also with you!

I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"

*Psalm 122:1-2*

**Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

Our help is in the Name of the Lord. *Psalm 121:1-2*

**Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren...accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Come, let us worship and bow down. *Psalm 95:6*

**All: And kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

*(Let all who are able kneel)*

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**People: We confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we are most miserably helpless before our adversaries. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that we are not able to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your forgiveness and deliverance, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(Continue Kneeling for Silent Confession)*

Assurance of Pardon:

*(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)*

Pastor: Know surely, your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord (Acts 13:38).

**All: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen!**

**Hymn of Faith: (Please Stand)**

Psalm 36, pgs. 66-67

People: Amen.

Come, Thou Almighty King, pg. 345

People: Amen.

### *God Consecrates and Raises Up to Heaven*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

\*Responsive Psalm

Psalm 139

For the choir director. A psalm of David.

Pastor: Yahweh, You examine me,

**People: And You Yourself know me.**

You know my sitting and my rising.

**You understand my thought from afar.**

You sift my walking and my lying down,

**And with all my ways You are familiar;**

For there is not a word on my tongue –

**Behold, Yahweh, you know it all.**

Back and front You enclose me,

**And put on me Your hand.**

Too wonderful is such knowledge for me;

**Being lofty, I cannot attain to it.**

Where could I go from Your Spirit?

**And whither from Your presence could I flee?**

If I ascended to heaven, there You are.

**If I made my bed in Sheol; behold! You!**

If I lifted up the wings of the dawn,

**If I settled down on the far side of the sea,**

Even there Your hand would guide me,

**And Your right hand would lay hold on me.**

If I said, "Surely the darkness can smother me,

**So that the light around me will be night,"**

Even darkness is not dark to You, and night shines like the day:

**As is the darkness, so is the light.**

For You created my kidneys,

**You wove me in my mother's womb.**

I give You thanks because I am awesome and wonderful.

**Wonderful are Your works, and my soul knows it very well.**

My bones were not hidden from You when I was made in secret;

**Woven together in the depths of the earth, my embryo Your eyes saw.**

And in Your book they were all written:

**The days were ordained when there was not one of them.**

And to me how precious are Your thoughts, O Mighty One!

**How vast is their sum!**

Should I count them, more than sand they would number.

**When I awake, I am still with You.**

If only You would slay the wicked, Mighty Protector!

**You wicked, you men of blood, get away from me! –**

Those who speak of You maliciously,

**Holding You up for abuse: your enemies.**

Do I not hate those who hate You, Yahweh?

**And those who rise up against You do I not loathe?**

With complete hatred I hate them;

**I regard them my enemies.**

Search me, Mighty One, and know my heart;

**Try me, and know my anxious thoughts,**

And see if there be any displeasing way in me,

**And lead me in the way everlasting.**

#### Confession of the Nicene Creed (*Please be seated*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Antiphonal Response to Abortion & Sung Lord's Prayer  
(see insert and hymnal's back cover)

#### Reading of God's Word (**Please Stand**)

Old Covenant Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: Romans 6:1-11

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People: Matthew 3:13-17

Pastor: The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. **People: Thanks be to God**

Hymn of Faith: Saw You Never In The Twilight, Insert

**People: Amen!**

Sermon: Pastor Uri Brito

Text: Psalm 139

Title: God's Creational and Covenantal Commitment to Life

Offertory: (Ex. 23:15; 34:20; Dt. 16:16)

Pastor: Let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Hymn: O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High!, pg. 317

**People: Amen.**

Offertory Prayer

#### **God Communes With Us**

Celebration of Holy Communion (*Please be seated*)

Passing of the Bread ("The Lord be with you" "The Lord bless you")

Passing of the Wine ("The Peace of Christ be with you" "And also with you")

Congregational Response *Gloria Patri*

*(Please Stand with Hands Raised)*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, A-men, A-men.

#### **God Commissions Us**

The Lord's Commission *Matthew 28:18-20*

Pastor: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord!

**People: Let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

**AMEN!** *Psalm 145:21*

Closing Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns, pg. 293

**People: Amen!**

Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

Threefold Amen

*Pastor: Go in Peace to Love and to Serve our Risen Christ!*

**All: Amen!**

Postlude

***Welcome***

In the name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we at Providence Church open wide our doors and welcome all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; all who mourn and long for comfort; all who struggle and desire victory; all who sin and need the Savior; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; all who are poor in spirit and desire the riches of the gospel; all who will come to Jesus Christ in living faith and repentance, looking to him as both Liberator and Lord. If you are a visitor of Providence Church, we are grateful that you have joined us in our highest privilege, worshipping the Triune God. We hope you stay and talk with us after the service so that we can get to know you better. If you would like to talk with Pastor Brito throughout the week, please feel free either to call him at 850.377.3049 or to email him at [urjesou@gmail.com](mailto:urjesou@gmail.com). Please visit our website at [www.providencepensacola.org](http://www.providencepensacola.org)

Sermon Outline

- I. The History of Sanctity of Life Sunday
- II. Psalms as Refining our View of God
- III. The Personal Nature of David's Prayer
- IV. Nothing Hidden
- V. David's Hymn (Four Stanzas)
- VI. God's Work as Creational and Covenantal
- VII. Imprecation and Love

Children's Questions:

I. Psalm 139 is a:

- a) Prayer
- b) Hymn
- c) Imprecation
- d) All of the Above

II. I am fearfully and \_\_\_\_\_.